
• The Salary Survey of New England College Libraries, 1987/88, has recently been published by the New England Chapter of the Association of College and Research Libraries. The publication is based on the statistics format used by the Association of Research Libraries and provides comparable data for non-ARL New England college libraries. Copies are available for $5.00 (checks payable to ACRL New England Chapter) from Susan Baughman, Director, Goddard Library, Clark University, Worcester, MA 01610.

• Serials Control and Deselection Projects, SPEC Kit #147 (117 pages, September 1988), reprints documents from 12 ARL member libraries and the Research Libraries Group. The documents reflect the various efforts of library directors and collection development librarians to describe, explain, justify, and resolve the problems of controlling serial subscription costs. Included are examples of memoranda informing and instructing faculty and librarians; tables, graphs, and spreadsheets to provide a statistical perspective; reports to administrators explaining the situation within a local and national context; internal operating policies, procedures, timetables, and forms; progress reports, newsletters, and press releases. SPEC Kits are available for $20.00 from the ARL Office of Management Services, 1527 New Hampshire Ave., N.W., Washington, DC 20036.


• “We Gather Together”: Food and Festival in American Life, edited by Theodore C. Humphrey and Lin T. Humphrey (289 pages, 1988), examines the rituals by which Americans prepare and share food to create a sense of group identity and community. Special contemporary occasions for feasting are examined from a sociological and folkloric viewpoint: Passover, Halloween, family clam bakes, homecoming celebrations, Minnesota booya festivals, Festa Italiana, and others. Copies are available for $39.95 from UMI Research Press, 300 N. Zeeb Rd., Ann Arbor, MI 48106. ISBN 0-8357-1890-5.

• Youth Indicators 1988: Trends in the Well-Being of American Youth (135 pages, August 1988) tracks the characteristics and attitudes of 14- to 24-year-olds as far back as 1950. Find out if today's college students are indeed richer or dumber than we were in our heyday. Tables and graphs illustrate trends in demographics, family income, education, employment, health, behavior, and attitudes. A free copy may be obtained from the U.S. Department of Education, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Educational Research and Improvement, Washington, DC 20208. PIP 88-834. ■■

CALENDAR

January
3-6—Research: “Research for Competitive Advantage,” annual conference of the Association for Library and Information Science Education, will be held at the Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D.C. Three general sessions on library and information science research: Mary Ann Swain (University of Michigan); Deb Johnson (University of Illinois) and Tom Childers (Drexel University); and Charles Meadow (University of Toronto). Other sessions will be held on gender issues, online education, retirees, teaching methods, and continuing education. Contact: Ilse Moon, 5623 Palm Aire Drive, Sarasota, FL 34243; (813) 355-1795.

March
15-18—Music libraries: 58th annual conference of the Music Library Association, Stouffer Inn, Cleveland, Ohio. Sessions will include musical iconography at the Cleveland Museum of Art, preservation planning, regional library networks, managing administrators, and music publishing in the 1990s. Contact: Martin A. Silver, Music Library, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA 93106; (805) 961-3609.
April

11–14—Alabama: Annual conference of the Alabama Library Association, Wynfrey Hotel at the Galleria, Hoover, Alabama. Contact: William N. Nelson, P.O. Box 2210, Samford University, Birmingham, AL 35229; (205) 870-2846.

May

4–5—Literacy: The National LOEX Clearinghouse for Library Instruction will sponsor the 17th National LOEX Library Instruction Conference, Ann Arbor, Michigan. Titled “Coping with Information Illiteracy: BI for the Information Age,” the conference will include formal papers, practical working sessions, short instructional presentations, and traditional poster sessions. Keynote speaker: Patricia Senn Breivik of the Auraria Libraries in Denver, Colorado. Registration fee: $115 by mail only. Contact: Teresa Mensching, LOEX Clearinghouse, Eastern Michigan University Library, Ypsilanti, MI 48197; (313) 487-0168.

7–19—Library administration: 23rd annual Library Administrators Development Program, University of Maryland, Donaldson Brown Center, Port Deposit, Maryland. Two-week resident program will have seminar sessions on strategic planning and management by objectives, leadership, employee motivation, individual and group decision making, performance appraisal, conflict management, financial planning and analysis, and managing change. Lectures, case analyses, group discussions, seminars. Contact: Marcia Hayleck, Administrative Assistant, University of Maryland, Library Administrators Development Program, College of Library and Information Services, College Park, MD 20742-4345; (301) 454-6080.

15–17—Archives: Symposium on “Converging Disciplines in the Management of Current Records,” intended for a multidisciplinary audience of managers, librarians, archivists, computer specialists, and publishers, sponsored by the National Archives of Canada, Ottawa, Ontario. Discussion will focus on the convergence of hitherto separate disciplines and the policy and management challenges caused by this changing environment. Contact: Winston A. Gomes, Symposium Coordinator, Government Records Branch, National Archives of Canada, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0N3; (819) 953-5711; Telex: 053-3367.

19–25—Medical libraries: 89th annual meeting of the Medical Library Association, Boston Marriott Hotel Copley Place, Boston, Massachusetts. Speakers will include Mathilde Krim, distinguished geneticist who is co-founder and chairperson of the American Foundation for AIDS Research; James Burke, known for his PBS series “Connections” and “The Day the Universe Changed”; and Richard Alan Selzer, author of many books including Taking the World in for Repairs and Confessions of a Knife. The meeting will also feature programs prepared by MLA members, numerous continuing education courses, and an exhibit of state-of-the-art products and services. Contact: MLA Headquarters, 6 N. Michigan Ave., Suite 300, Chicago, IL 60602; (312) 419-9094.

27–June 1—SALALM: 34th annual seminar on the Acquisition of Latin American Library Materials, hosted by the University of Virginia, will be held at the Omni Hotel, Charlottesville, Virginia. The theme will be “Artistic Representation of Latin American Diversity: Sources and Collections.” Contact: Barbara Robinson, President, SALALM, Boeckmann Center for Iberian and Latin American Studies, Doheny Library, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA 90089-0182; (213) 743-7163.

July

7–August 10—England: “Library Services in Britain,” a five-week course, includes tuition, airfare, lodging, local transportation, most meals, and Britrail pass for $2,375. May be taken for undergraduate or graduate credit. Weekly schedule will allow ample time for independent study and personal travel. Contact: Laura A. Sullivan, Northern Kentucky University, Steely Library, Reference Department, Highland Heights, KY 41076; (606) 572-5724.

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